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SUBJECT: DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICA

CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

REF: STATE 049519

1. IN CONVEYED TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT CONTENTS REFTEL ON MARCH 12 JUST PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE ON A STATE VISIT TO IVORY COAST. PRES. TOLBERT SAID HE UNDERSTOOD OUR POSITION COMPLETELY AND AGREED WITH IT. HE SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE WITH HIS INITIATIVE WITH SA DESPITE SOME EXPRESSION OF OPPOSITION AT HOME AND ABROAD. ON THE DOMESTIC LIBERIAN SCENE HE FELT HIS HAND HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED BY RECENT JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE ENDORSING HIS INITIATIVE. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD DELIBERATELY NOT CONSULTED THE LEGISLATURE IN ADVANCE BUT WAS MOST PLEASED TO RECEIVE THEIR EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT.

2. PRESIDENT TOLBERT SAID HE HAD ALSO SENT A PERSONAL LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER VOSRSTER ASKING HIM TO INTERCEDE TO DO WHATEVER  
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HE COULD TO OVERCOME THE BAD EFFECTS OF THE RECENT ARREST OF

BISHOP SITHOLE IN RHODESIA. TOLBERT SAID ACTIONS SUCH AS THESE DESTROYED THE CLIMATE FOR RAPPROCHEMENT BETWEEN WHITES AND NON-WHITES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. HE WAS HOPEFUL THAT VORSTER WOULD INTERCEDE VIGOROUSLY WITH IAN SMITH.

3. IN CONCLUSION PRESIDENT TOLBERT PROMISED TO KEEP US INFORMED ON A PRIVATE BASIS OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS TOWARD DIALOGUE AS THEY OCCUR.  
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